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AMOUNT SANCTIONED TO STATES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount sanctioned to States,particularly to Uttar Pradesh during 2000-2001;

(b) whether there is gap between the amount sanctioned and given;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor State-wise; and

(d) the preventive steps being taken to avert the financial crisis during the years to come?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a) Plan outlays of the States are decided through mutual discussion between the Planning Commission and the State Governments keeping in view the availability of resources. The Annual Plan of only some states, including Uttar Pradesh, for the year 2000-2001 have been finalized. The Plan outlay approved for Uttar Pradesh for the year 2000-2001 is Rs.9025 crores.

(b) & (c) The allocations as approved by the Planning Commission are released after adjusting for any short fall in expenditure incurred during the previous years against financial releases actually made.

(d) The State Governments are autonomous under the Constitution and take appropriate measures from time to time to improve their financial status. Some States have evolved and undertaken their own medium term fiscal programmes. These state-specific programmes aim at reducing revenue and fiscal deficit through increased revenue mobilisation, reduction in non-plan revenue expenditure, correction in pricing subsidy and disinvestment